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SUBJECT: OAU SUMMIT ADOPTS SPECIAL RESOLUTION ON RHODESIAN SANCTIONS
IN REACTION TO HELMS AMENDMENT

REF: A. STATE 180796 (NOTAL), B. KHARTOUM 3275 (NOTAL),
C. USUN 02975 (NOTAL)

SUMMARY: OAU HEADS OF STATE SUMMIT JULY 21 ADOPTED STRONGLY
WORDED RESOLUTION ON RHODESIAN SANCTIONS, SPECIFICALLY CITING
"CURRENT MOVES IN UNITED STATES TO LIFT SANCTIONS." ANY
BREACH OF SANCTIONS, ACCORDING TO RESOLUTION, WOULD BE
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AFFRONT TO DIGNITY AND ASPIRATIONS OF AFRICAN PEOPLES AND
CONSTITUTE AN UNFRIENDLY ACT TOWARD AFRICA. WITHIN CONTEXT
OF EXTENSIVE U.S. EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN SOME POSSIBILITY
OF NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT IN RHODESIA AND AFRICAN SUPPORT
FOR AN ALL PARTIES CONFERENCE, LIFTING OF SANCTIONS
AGAINST RHODESIA BY U.S. COULD SERIOUSLY UNDERMINE U.S.
CREDIBILITY THROUGHOUT AFRICA AND ENDANGER IMPORTANT U.S.

INTERESTS. END SUMMARY

1. OAU SPOKESMAN ONU BRIEFED PRESS JULY 21 AND PRESENTED FULL TEXT OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY SUMMIT ON SANCTIONS AGAINST THE SMITH REGIME. ONU SAID SUMMIT HAD TAKEN ACTION AFTER BEING INFORMED BY AFRICAN GROUP AT UN THAT POSSIBILITY WAS DEVELOPING U.S. WOULD LIFT U.N. SANCTIONS AGAINST RHODESIA. FULL TEXT FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT

SPECIAL RESOLUTION ON SANCTIONS AGAINST THE SMITH REGIME RES V (XV)
THE AHG, MEETING IN ITS 15TH ORDINARY SESSION IN KHARTOUM, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF SUDAN, FROM 18-21 JULY 1978, RE-AFFIRMING ITS UNEQUIVOCAL COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE STRUGGLE OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE UNTIL COMPLETE AND GENUINE FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE OF THE TERRITORY IS ACHIEVED,
RECALLING U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION WHICH REJECTED THE SO-CALLED INTERNAL SETTLEMENT IN ZIMBABWE, AFFIRMING ITS CONVICTION THAT THE SO-CALLED INTERNAL SETTLEMENT CONSTITUTES YET ANOTHER MANEUVER OF THE ILLEGAL RACIEST MINORITY REGIME TO MAINTAIN ITS DOMINATION AND OPPRESSION OF THE AFRICAN PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE, CONSCIOUS OF THE IMPERATIVE NEED TO MAINTAIN INTENSIFY THE ISOLATION OF THE SMITH RACIEST MINORITY REGIME,
CONSCIOUS ALSO OF THE FACT THAT MANDATORY SANCTIONS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AGAINST THE RHODESIAN REGIME CONSTITUTES AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN THE ISOLATION OF THAT REGIME AND IN SUPPORT OF THE ZIMBABWE LIBERATION STRUGGLE,
HAVING BEEN INFORMED OF THE CURRENT MOVES IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO LIFT SANCTIONS AGAINST THE SMITH REGIME IN VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW,
BEARING IN MIND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL STATES TO SCRUPULOUSLY APPLY SANCTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISIONS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL,

1. REAFFIRMS ITS PRIOR SUPPORT FOR THE ARMED STRUGGLE WAGED BY THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT.
2. CONDEMNS ALL MANEUVERS OF THE RACIEST MINORITY REGIME INCLUDING THE SO-CALLED INTERNAL SETTLEMENT CALCULATED TO PERPETUATE COLONIAL AND RACIST DOMINATION OF ZIMBABWE;
3. CALLS UPON ALL STATES TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE STRUGGLE OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE AND IN PARTICULAR TO STRICTLY ADHERE TO EXISTING MANDATORY SANCTIONS AGAINST THE RACIST MINORITY REGIME;
4. DECLARES THAT IT IS PARTICULARLY INCUMBENT UPON ALL THOSE STATES WHICH ARE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO COMPLY WITH THE DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL BY

STRICTLY ENFORCING SANCTIONS

5. DECLARES ALSO THAT ANY BREACH OF SANCTIONS BY ANY
OF THESE STATES CONSTITUTES A PARTICULAR AFFRONT TO THE
DIGNITY AND ASPIRATIONS OF THE AFRICAN PEOPLES;
6. CONSIDERS THAT SUCH AN ACTION CONSTITUTES AN
UNFRIENDLY ACT TO AFRICA AND A SERIOUS IMPEDIMENT TO ANY
GENUINE EFFORT TOWARDS A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT;
7. REQUESTS THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO ADOPT FURTHER MEASURES
TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND EXISTING SANCTIONS AGAINST THE
RACIST MINORITY REGIME TO INCLUDE ALL THE MEASURES PROVIDED
FOR UNDER ARTICLE 41 OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER. END
TEXT

2. DESPITE MANY DIVISIVE ISSUES FACING SUMMIT, THERE WAS
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SWIFT AGREEMENT BY ALL OAU MEMBERS ON ABOVE RESOLUTION,
DEMONSTRATING UNANIMITY OF OAU SENTIMENT AGAINST RHODESIA.
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